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सामान्य अध्ययन (प्रश्न पत्र-I)/GENERAL STUDIES (Paper-I) (2217)

निर्धारित समय: **तीन घंटे**
Time Allowed: ***Three Hours***

अधिकतम अंक: **250**
Maximum Marks: ***250***

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प्रश्न-पत्र संबंधी विशेष अनुदेश

कृपया प्रश्नों के उत्तर देने से पूर्व निम्नलिखित प्रत्येक अनुदेश को ध्यानपूर्वक पढ़ें:

*कुल **बीस** प्रश्न दिए गए हैं जो **हिंदी** और **अंग्रेजी** दोनों में छपे हैं।*

सभी प्रश्न अनिवार्य हैं।

प्रत्येक प्रश्न/भाग के लिए नियत अंक उसके सामने दिए गए हैं।

प्रश्नों के उत्तर उसी माध्यम में लिखे जाने चाहिए, जिसका उल्लेख आपके प्रवेश-पत्र में किया गया है, और इस माध्यम का स्पष्ट उल्लेख प्रश्न-सह-उत्तर (क्यू.सी.ए.) पुस्तिका के मुख-पृष्ठ पर निर्दिष्ट स्थान पर किया जाना चाहिए। उल्लिखित माध्यम के अतिरिक्त अन्य किसी माध्यम में लिखे गए उत्तर पर कोई अंक नहीं मिलेंगे।

प्रश्न संख्या 1 से 10 तक का उत्तर 150 शब्दों में तथा प्रश्न संख्या 11 से 20 तक का उत्तर 250 शब्दों में दीजिए।

प्रश्नों में इंगित शब्द सीमा को ध्यान में रखिए।

प्रश्न-सह-उत्तर पुस्तिका में खाली छोड़े गए कोई पृष्ठ अथवा पृष्ठ भाग को पूर्णतः काट दीजिए।

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All questions are compulsory.

The number of marks carried by a question/part is indicated against it.

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1. Contextual Competence
2. Content Competence
3. Language Competence
4. Introduction Competence
5. Structure - Presentation Competence
6. Conclusion Competence

Overall Macro Comments / feedback / suggestions on Answer Booklet:

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All the Best

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1. उदाहरणों के साथ, चर्चा कीजिए कि भारत के विभिन्न क्षेत्रों की सांस्कृतिक परंपराएं क्षेत्रीय संगीत में किस प्रकार प्रतिबिंबित होती हैं। (उत्तर 150 शब्दों में दीजिए)
With examples, discuss how the cultural traditions from various regions of India get reflected in regional music. (Answer in 150 words) 10

उम्मीदवारों को इस हाशिए में नहीं लिखना चाहिए
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The musical traditions usually reflect the cultural traditions of a region in the form of philosophy, language and socio-economic conditions.

Regional music - cultural traditions

1. Vithoba cult - seen in music of Maharashtra
↳ Abhangs - in praise of Vithoba.

2. Bhakti tradition of South India

Popularity of 'Dasa Sahitya' in regional languages
Purandaradasa, Annamayya, Tyagayya.

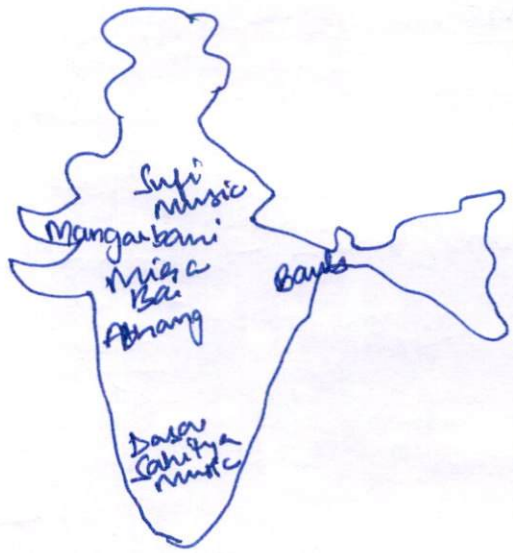

Fig: various regional music traditions

3. Eastern India

Bauls: mix of Sufi and Bhakti tradition - Chaitanya's Krishna Bhakti

4. Sufi Music : The Delhi Sultanate region known for khayals, thappa

5. Bhajan Sangeet : The central Indian region influenced by Bhajans popularised by Mirabai, Tulsidas, Surdas
written in Hindi, Braj, Awadhi

6. Mangarbani - Desert music of west Rajasthan - nomadic lifestyle

7. North east - Musical traditions reflect Buddhist influence - chants, trinkets

Analysis

The emergence of fusion music by SPIC MACAY has given further impetus to various regional music traditions.

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2. श्रमिक वर्ग के आंदोलन के उद्भव पर प्रकाश डालते हुए, भारत के स्वतंत्रता संघर्ष में उसके योगदान की विवेचना कीजिए। (उत्तर 150 शब्दों में दीजिए)
Highlighting the emergence of the working class movement, discuss its contribution towards India's freedom struggle. (Answer in 150 words) 10

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The working classes joined the Indian National Movement making it a mass-based movement

Emergence of working class movement

1. Mobilisation of workers unions started in western India by Bharat Shramajeevi and other Organisations.
2. Tilak called for worker strikes as part of protest against British.
   eg Railway strike against Tilak's arrest.
3. Swadeshi movement - Limited mobilisation of workers unions.
4. Non-cooperation movement - Large scale participation of workers groups
   eg. Mill workers strike.
5. Socialist movement - Workers unions majorly mobilised under

Socialist influence – MN Roy

↳ Formation of AITUC

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Contribution to Indian freedom struggle

1. Made the freedom struggle's social base broader.
2. Challenged the British factories through strikes.
3. Furthered socialist ideological strand in the freedom struggle.
4. Urban working classes and lower classes mobilised
5. Made workers demands an integral part of freedom struggle

Challenges
- sometimes against Indian capitalist class.
- pro-Soviet : lack of participation in Quit India
- Militant strand

The workers unions like AITUC continue to impact contemporary Indian political discourse.

3. क्या आप इस विचार से सहमत हैं कि गांधीवादी राजनीति एक प्रकार से तिलक की राजनीति का ही विस्तार थी? (उत्तर 150 शब्दों में दीजिए)
Do you agree with the view that Gandhian politics was, in a sense, a continuation of Tilak's politics? (Answer in 150 words) 10

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Gandhian politics was based on mass mobilisation with non-violence and satyagraha as weapons. He shared a close affinity with Tilak.

Gandhian politics - continuation of Tilak's politics

1. Tilak focussed on mass mobilisation
eg popularising Ganapati and Shivaji utsav to attract masses.

2. Usage of newspapers to give voice to his political opinion
eg. Mahratta, Kesari
Gandhiji used Young India magazine

3. Emphasis on Swadeshi by Tilak during Swadeshi movement.
Focus on Khadi by Gandhiji

4. Swaraj as the goal of freedom movement by Tilak - similar

view of Gandhiji

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Gandhian politics – divergence from Tilak

1. Militant approach to struggle by Tilak – Gandhiji chose Ahimsa from the beginning.

2. Home Rule supported by Tilak. Opposed by Gandhiji

Analysis.

Though there were some divergences of Gandhian politics from Tilak, they shared a close association. Tilak fund was over-subscribed at Gandhiji's call for non-coop movement which marked a continued legacy of Tilak by Gandhiji in later phases.

4. ऐसा कहा जाता है कि मानव प्रेरित तापन के कारण विश्व के महासागर अपनी 'मेमोरी' खो रहे हैं। टिप्पणी कीजिए। साथ ही, इस परिघटना के परिणामों पर चर्चा कीजिए। (उत्तर 150 शब्दों में दीजिए)
It is said that the world's oceans are losing their 'memory' due to human-induced warming. Comment. Also, discuss the consequences of the phenomenon. (Answer in 150 words) 10

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The world's ocean's memory refers to the characteristic features of ocean continued for a long time.

The ocean's temperature has risen by 1°C due to global warming.

Oceans - losing memory due to human induced warming

1. Change in Sea surface temperature (SST)
2. Melting glaciers and sea surface ice - increasing albedo.
3. Increasing acidification due to absorption of CO_2
4. Salinity changes due to accumulation of sea ice melt.
5. Change in marine biodiversity
   ↳ disappearance of corals, mangroves etc.

Consequences of memory loss by oceans

1. Marine biodiversity gets affected – loss of species.
2. Emission of GHG gases like methane, CO_2 etc.
3. Changing monsoon patterns due to SST variation.
   ↳ affects agrarian monsoon – economies – India
4. Fishermen's livelihood affected.
   ↳ 1 billion people depend on fishing.
5. Food security of the world – loss of fisheries, marine algae.
6. Sea level rise – submergence of coasts.

There is a need to counter global warming to safeguard ocean ecosystem.

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5. मृदा संशोधन क्या है? इससे संबद्ध लाभों और चिंताओं का मूल्यांकन कीजिए। (उत्तर 150 शब्दों में दीजिए)
What is soil amendment? Evaluate the benefits and concerns associated with it. (Answer in 150 words) 10

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Soil amendment refers to change in soil profile by human interference.

Benefits

1. Improves structural stability
2. Enhances nutrient value.
3. Improves crop productivity
4. Checks soil erosion

Challenges

1. Disturbs the natural ecosystem
2. May introduce invasive species.
3. Expensive.

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6. यह सुझाव दिया गया है कि अगले दशक में हाइब्रिड विद्युत संयंत्रों की संख्या में तीव्र वृद्धि हो सकती है। ऐसे विद्युत संयंत्रों से प्राप्त होने वाले लाभों का उल्लेख करते हुए, उनसे जुड़ी चुनौतियों पर चर्चा कीजिए। (उत्तर 150 शब्दों में दीजिए)

It has been suggested that the next decade may see a boom in hybrid power plants. Stating the advantages that such power plants offer, discuss the associated challenges. (Answer in 150 words) 10

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Hybrid power plants refer to the mix of different modes of power plants

eg. solar - wind power plant.

Advantages of hybrid power plants

1. Address intermittancy - major problem of Renewables.
2. greater grid connectivity
3. Efficiency increases due to better resource utilisation.
4. Discoms benefit - better pricing eg: bundling power

Challenges

1. Technological feasibility
2. Resource availability - not

possible in all areas.

3. Transmission losses

4. Import dependency for equipment

eg: Chinese solar wafers.

Way forward

1. Greater research into hybrid technologies.

2. Reducing transmission losses.

3. Mapping of resources.

Hybrid power plants can address the challenges of renewable intermittancy and discom pricing issues.

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7. वैन एलन रेडिएशन बेल्ट्स क्या हैं? इनके निर्माण का वर्णन करते हुए, चर्चा कीजिए कि इनके अध्ययन पर अधिकाधिक ध्यान क्यों दिया जा रहा है। (उत्तर 150 शब्दों में दीजिए)
What are Van Allen Radiation Belts? Explaining their formation, discuss why there has been a growing focus on their study. (Answer in 150 words) 10

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Van Allen radiation belts are Cosmic zones of asteroids in our solar system.

They are being studied to understand

1) Source of radiation
2) Solar flares
3) Research in human space-flight
4) Space exploration of minerals
5) Threat of asteroid hitting earth

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8. चर्चा कीजिए कि क्या भारत में वैवाहिक बलात्कार को अपराध घोषित कर दिया जाना चाहिए? (उत्तर 150 शब्दों में दीजिए)

Discuss whether marital rape should be criminalised in India. (Answer in 150 words) 10

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Marital rape refers to the forced sexual intercourse without woman's consent within the institution of marriage.

Status of marital rape in India

Sec 375 of IPC gives exception of criminality for forced intercourse by a husband when wife is above 15 years

Marital rape – criminalised

1. Women's dignity is protected – changes perception of wife as husband's chattel. (Joseph Shine (2018) judgement)

2. Equality – Both married and unmarried women are given equal protection of law – Art 14

3. Patriarchial stereotype dismantled – women equal status to man.

4. In line with modern conception of Partnership-based marriage.

However, there are certain schools of opposition.

Marital rape - non criminalization

1. Affect on institution of marriage and family - disintegrated
2. Sexual intercourse - integral part of marriage - can't be legally interfered
3. Difficulty in proving - prone to misuse.

Estimate -

↳ The experience of countries that criminalised marital rape have not shown any perceptible impact on family institution.

↳ Karnataka HC supported criminalisation.

Justice Verma Committee has rightly recommended the criminalisation of marital rape as a violation of a woman's dignity.

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9. केयर इकोनॉमी (देखभाल अर्थव्यवस्था) क्या है? इससे जुड़ी चुनौतियों पर प्रकाश डालिए और भारत में इन चुनौतियों से निपटने के लिए उठाए गए कदमों का उल्लेख कीजिए। (उत्तर 150 शब्दों में दीजिए)
What is care economy? Highlight the challenges associated with it and mention the steps taken to address them in India. (Answer in 150 words) 10

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Care economy refers to the goods and services related to the care giving activity in economy.

Care economy
- services to ageing population
- child care
- care to disabled, sick

Challenges to care economy

1. Unpaid care work - done by women in household
2. No quantification due to lack of documentation of care work.
3. Monetisation - Traditional care work based on affection. hard to value monetarily.
4. Lack of trained professionals nurses and other allied services

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Steps taken to address care economy

1. Min of Social Justice - highlighted **silver economy** - focus on services to be targetted to elderly.
2. **Start ups** encouraged to ~~take~~ tap space in care economy.
   eg. **Goodfellows** - companionship for elderly
3. **Geriatric care** - in hospitals to be focussed under National Health Mission
4. **Skill training** - under PM Kaushal Vikas Yojana.

Care economy
- Improved productivity
- Increase LFPR of women
- longer life spans
- employment opportunities.

Care economy is an integral part of **Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas.**

10. महामारी के बाद भारत "लर्निंग पॉवर्टी (अधिगम निर्धनता)" की चुनौती से जूझ रहा है। इसके निहितार्थों का विश्लेषण कीजिए और आगे की राह का सुझाव दीजिए। (उत्तर 150 शब्दों में दीजिए)
Post-pandemic India is staring at the challenge of "learning poverty". Analyse its implications and discuss a way ahead. (Answer in 150 words) 10

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Learning poverty refers to the loss in learning outcomes in school going children.

Eg ASER Report: 50% of class V students unable to read class II text.

Post-pandemic learning poverty

COVID lockdown
- schools shutdown
- digital divide – ASER: 44% of rural children – no access to online education
- Children lost learning period at school.

accelerated learning poverty.

Implications of learning poverty

1. Rural-urban divide – Rural students left behind in learning outcomes
2. Cumulative losses – Difficulty in coping with higher classes.

exam failure → stigma → school drop out / child labour

3. Reverses progress under Sarva Siksha Abhiyan.

4. Loss of human capital.

Way ahead

1. Bridge courses: Tamil Nadu's kalaiyi model – volunteer led bridge course for overcoming learning gaps.

2. e-education – Greater access and affordability.

eg. AP govt MoU with Byju's for tab distribution to govt school students.

The learning gap needs to be immediately bridged to prevent long term education losses.

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11. दक्षिण भारत में भित्ति परंपराओं के विकास पर प्रकाश डालिए। साथ ही, उनकी महत्वपूर्ण विशेषताओं का सविस्तार वर्णन कीजिए। (उत्तर 250 शब्दों में दीजिए)
Bring out the evolution of mural traditions in South India. Also, elaborate on their significant characteristics. (Answer in 250 words) 15

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Mural traditions refer to the paintings on the walls of buildings / caves. It is an ancient tradition.

Evolution of mural tradition in South India

1. Earliest murals found in pre-historic cave sites. – Surguja

2. Ancient – Jain murals in Sittanavasal caves

3. Mural paintings in early Pallava temples

eg Mahishasura Mardani, dancing shiva paintings.

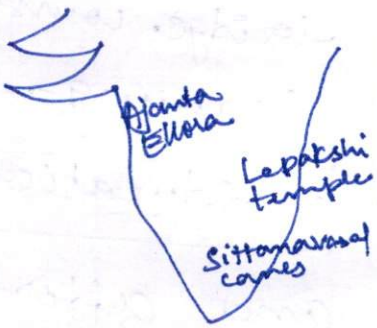

Fig: Mural traditions of South India

~~4. Medieval~~

4. Ajanta and Ellora cave paintings – fresco art – use of vegetable dyes. eg dying princess in Ajanta.

5. Medieval - Lepakshi temple - roofs and walls - rich mural paintings.

6. Nayaka era - zenith of mural paintings.

eg: Madurai Meenakshi temple.

Significant characters of South Indian Murals

1. Earliest murals are large cave paintings.

2. Progressive reduction in size of paintings is seen.

3. Use of vegetable dyes for colour, haematite for red colour

4. Depiction of mythological stories through murals.

eg. Lepakshi - Ramayana paintings.

5 Paintings on the walls and roofs of buildings.

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6. Mural depictions - large eyes, pointed nose

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Analysis

The continuity of mural traditions is seen to this day in the form of Kolam art in South India.

12. 19 वीं शताब्दी में ब्रिटिश साम्राज्यवाद का विरोध करने वाला भारतीय राष्ट्रवाद औपनिवेशिक आधुनिकता का ही एक परिणाम था। क्या आप इससे सहमत हैं? (उत्तर 250 शब्दों में दीजिए)

Indian nationalism that confronted British imperialism in the 19th century was a product of colonial modernity. Do you agree? (Answer in 250 words) 15

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Indian nationalism refers to the development of national consciousness in the Indian psyche.

It was developed during the colonial times in 19th century

Indian nationalism - product of colonial modernity

1. Colonial policy of unification - administrative, economic and political spheres

↳ Common administration through colonial laws

↳ Economic interdependence

↳ Communication - transport, media has enabled voicing of common concerns of Indians.

2. Modern education - Emphasis on rationality, western ideas of democracy, liberty, science

↳ Influenced the urban middle classes - leadership of national movement.

3. Printing press - Proliferation of vernacular newspapers

↳ Enabled mobilisation of national consciousness

~~Indian~~

However, the Indian nationalism was also a reaction to colonial modernity -

1. Realisation of divergence between Indian and British interests

eg. Naroji's "Drain theory" - showed economic troubles of India due to British policy

2. Reactionary policies of British - Lytton, Curzon - showed colonial contempt.

↳ Nationalist reaction by counter narratives

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3. Cultural revival - Vivekananda's practical vedanta - cultural roots against British perception of cultural superiority

4. International influence - Movements in Latin America, Africa against colonial powers - inspired Indian nationalists.

Estimate

Though Indian nationalism grew during the times of colonial modernity, it was not an absolute by-product.

Indian nationalism was both a response and reaction to colonial modernity.

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13. स्वातंत्र्योत्तर भारत में पर्यावरणवाद कई संगठित आंदोलनों के रूप में सामने आया है। विवेचना कीजिए। (उत्तर 250 शब्दों में दीजिए)

Environmentalism surfaced in the form of many organised movements in post independence India. Discuss. (Answer in 250 words) 15

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Environmental movements arose as a reaction to various developmental projects in post-independence India.

Environmental movements

1. Chipko movement against deforestation in Uttarakhand by Sunderlal Bahuguna
↳ mobilised women in peaceful protest.

2. Narmada Bachao Andolan against evacuees of Sardar Sarovar Dam
↳ Headed by Medha Patkar
↳ Mobilised landless tribes, villagers against submergence

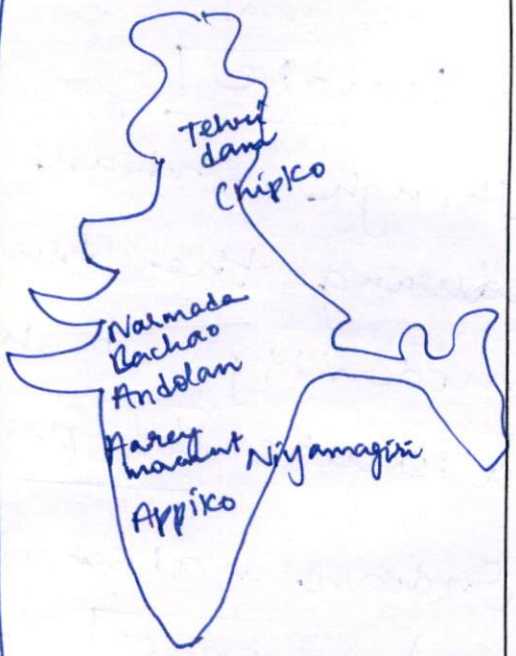

Fig: Environmental movements.

3. Dam - displaced - loss of forests due to construction of large dams
eg. Tehri dam, Hirakud dam.

4. Niyamgiri protests - Against Vedanta bauxite mining by tribes of Odisha - socio-ecological concerns

5. Aarey protests - Against deforestation in Mumbai for metro rail shed

Impact of environmental movements

1. Eco-feminism - new front of women's movement as they are the main victims

2. Progressive laws - for protection of environment enacted.
↳ Environment Protection Act 1986
↳ Forests Rights Act 2006.
↳ LARR 2013.

3. growth of environmental consciousness among common people.

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Challenges

1. Development vs Displacement / Environment debate – impedes growth.

   eg. opposition to Kudankulam NPP.

2. Vested interests – derail progress

   eg. motivated protests by foreign NGOs – Green Peace.

3. Marginalised sections neglected

   eg. Tribals displaced without rehabilitation – land alienation

Way Forward

1. Sustainable development to balance growth and environment.
2. CAMPA funds to be used to minimise environmental damage.

Pavan Sukdev's Green economics should be adopted for inclusive and sustainable growth.

14. क्या आप इस विचार से सहमत हैं कि आर्थिक साधनों के माध्यम से ब्रिटेन को पराजित करने के लिए नेपोलियन द्वारा अपनाई गयी महाद्वीपीय नाकाबंदी एक गलत रणनीति थी? (उत्तर 250 शब्दों में दीजिए)

Do you agree with the view that continental blockade was an ill-conceived strategy by Napoleon to conquer Britain through economic means? (Answer in 250 words) 15

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Napolean adopted continental blockade to challenge British empire by forcing import and export options of Britain.

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15. आर्कटिक पैराडॉक्स से आप क्या समझते हैं? आर्कटिक क्षेत्र में खनिज और ऊर्जा संसाधनों के स्थानिक वितरण पर प्रकाश डालिए। (उत्तर 250 शब्दों में दीजिए)
What do you understand by the Arctic Paradox? Highlight the spatial distribution of mineral and energy resources in the Arctic region. (Answer in 250 words) 15

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Arctic paradox refers to the contrasting implications of melting Arctic Ice.

1) Ecological impact – rising sea level

2) Economic impact – new sea routes, land for cultivation.

Distribution of resources

1. Energy – natural gas reserves, oil reserves.

2. Minerals – coal, gold, rare earths etc.

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16. क्रायोस्फीयर (हिमांक-मंडल) में होने वाले परिवर्तनों में पारितंत्र और उसके लोगों पर विनाशकारी प्रभाव डालने की प्रवृत्ति होती है। चर्चा कीजिए। साथ ही, इस जोखिम से निपटने के उपायों को सूचीबद्ध कीजिए। (उत्तर 250 शब्दों में दीजिए)

Cryosphere changes have a tendency to bring about a devastating impact on the ecosystem and its people. Discuss. Also, enlist measures to tackle this threat. (Answer in 250 words) 15

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Cryosphere refers to the part of atmosphere that is covered by ice.

Cryosphere
- Ice caps
- sea surface ice
- glaciers
- permafrost.

poles.

The cryosphere is melting due to global warming - has negative consequences.

Cryosphere change - devastating impact

1. Loss of habitat for polar species due to melting glaciers.
   eg seal, polar ice bear etc.

2. Methane emission - Melting permafrost releases stored methane contributing to global warming
   Greater albedo.

3. Ecosystem changes - Melting

Permafrost releases bacteria, toxins that lead to biological threats
↳ new diseases, disaster - GLOF

4. Rising sea level - submergence of coasts - impacts lives and livelihoods. - climate refugees
↳ small Island Developing Nations - worst affected.

5. Political - Geo-political new great game - Arctic new routes

Collateral benefits
- new ice-free lands for cultivation
- shorter routes - sea
- food security due to increased production

However, the devastating impacts far outweigh the collateral benefits.

Measures to tackle cryosphere change

1. Mitigating GHG emissions to arrest global warming.

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2. Glasgow commitments to be adhered to limit temperature rise to 1.5°C.

3. Adaptation strategies for small island developing nations to deal with rising sea levels.

4. Clean energy mechanisms to reduce carbon intensity

eg International Solar Alliance.

5. Life style Changes - for sustainability

eg PM Modi's Life style for environment LiFE movement.

There is a need to adopt mitigation and adaptation measures to tackle cryosphere changes.

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17. शहरी बाढ़ की बारंबार होने वाली घटनाएं भारत में शहरी पारितंत्र के लिए एक गंभीर खतरा उत्पन्न करती हैं। महत्वपूर्ण अवसंरचनाओं पर पड़ने वाले इसके प्रभाव पर विशेष बल देते हुए चर्चा कीजिए। (उत्तर 250 शब्दों में दीजिए)

The frequent instances of urban flooding pose a severe risk to the urban ecosystem in India. Discuss with special emphasis on its impact on the critical infrastructure. (Answer in 250 words) 15

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World Bank estimates ₹10,000 crore loss to India annually due to urban floods

Urban floods

Refers to flooding seen in urban areas.

Recent instances - Hyderabad, Guwhati, Chennai etc.

Urban flood - risk to urban ecosystem

1. Population density - Impacts large population due to high density.

eg urban flood peaks 6X in urban areas vs rural areas

2. Economic losses - Loss of man-work hours due to blockage of roads, communication

3. Disease threat - Epidemiological threat of infectious diseases due to unsanitary conditions.

4. Critical infrastructure

↳ Nuclear power plants - flooding threat ⇒ damages infrastructure.

↳ Power grid - effects electricity supply

↳ Communication - high density of transmission lines of telephone and broadband - large scale disruption

Way Forward

1. IARC has recommended flood zone mapping
↳ helps reduce flood risk by town planning.

2. Reclamation of wetlands which act as natural sinks.
eg Chennai lost 90% of urban lakes in last 50 years.

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3 Innovation - Sponge cities, Rainwater parks (Bangkok) need to be adopted.

4) Solid waste management to reduce sewer blocks

5. Modern storm water management system - Mumbai model.

6. Prediction using advanced technologies - CFLOWS - Chennai simulation of various threats.

7. Disaster-resilient infrastructure Flood-proof critical infrastructure to minimise damage.

Managing urban floods is crucial to achieve SDG 11 of Sustainable Cities

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18. रेत न केवल आर्थिक विकास के लिए महत्वपूर्ण है, बल्कि यह अत्यंत महत्वपूर्ण पारितंत्र सेवाएं भी प्रदान करती है। सविस्तार वर्णन कीजिए। इस संदर्भ में, भारत में संधारणीय रेत खनन के महत्व पर चर्चा कीजिए। (उत्तर 250 शब्दों में दीजिए)

Sand is not only critical for economic development but also provides crucial ecosystem services. Elaborate. In this context, discuss the importance of sustainable sand mining in India. (Answer in 250 words) 15

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Sand is a minor mineral with great economic and ecological significance.

Sand - critical for economic development

1. Construction - major input in construction sector.
   - Infra - creation
   - Jobs

2. Electronics - Silicon chips - crucial for ESDM sector.
   - IR 4.0, digital revolution.
   - reduces import dependence.

3. Manufacturing - Industrial uses in fabrication of minerals.

4. Monazite sand - strategic importance

Sand - crucial ecosystem services

1. River conservation - helps in maintainance of riverine ecosystem.

2. Habitat services - Sand acts as a breeding ground for various marine species -

eg. Olive Ridley turtles

3. Shock absorber - Acts as a buffer between water bodies and land.

eg. mitigates ~~flood impact~~.

4. Vegetation - provides base for mangroves, marine species

Challenges
- illegal mining
- sand erosion
- encroachment
- plastic pollution
- contamination,

Sustainable mining in India - importance

Sustainable ~~Sand~~ mining refers to the mining practices which do not endanger the ecological and economic benefits of sand.

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1. To conserve riverine ecosystem
↳ important for fisheries sector
2. To sustain tourism - sand beaches of Karnataka
3. Inclusive development - Local populations to benefit from sustainable sand mining.

Best practise - AP Govt sand policy - sand mining by women SHGs - sustainable & remunerative

Way Forward

1. Coastal regulation Zone Rules to be adhered - ban on sand mining in sensitive areas
2. Adoption of synthetic sand
eg. m-sand developed by IIT-M
3. Collaborative effort - locals, govt, civil society groups.

Sand mining needs to be regulated to ensure safe coastal ecosystems under SDG14

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19. भारत में शहरी क्षेत्रों के अनियंत्रित और असंतुलित विकास की चुनौती शहरी नियोजन और क्षमता में सुधारों को आवश्यक बनाती है। विवेचना कीजिए। (उत्तर 250 शब्दों में दीजिए)

The challenge of unbridled and unbalanced growth of urban spaces in India necessitates reforms in urban planning and capacity. Discuss. (Answer in 250 words) 15

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World Bank has called Indian urbanisation as hidden and messy highlighting the unbalanced growth.

Challenge of unbridled urban spaces

1. Congestion - Lack of planned growth → proliferation of slums.
2. Horizontal expansion - Peri-urban areas - ungoverned
3. Migration - Increasing rural to urban migration increasing pressure
4. Stress on resources - Falling ground water tables, land available due to population

   eg NITI - 30 cities to go water free by 2030
5. Pollution - Unplanned growth leading to high air, water, sound pollution

   eg Delhi - "gas chamber"

6. Encroachment – of wetlands, tanks, lakes etc.

eg Bangalore lost 30% wetlands in 30 years

Hence, there is a need for reform in urban planning.

Reforms in urban planning & capacity

1. Using technological solutions for mapping

eg Bhuvan Satellite maps – 1:10,000 scale maps for better planning.

2. Curbing migration – Promoting urban facilities in rural areas for employment.

eg SPM Rurban Mission

3. Resource mapping – Natural resources to be mapped to prevent encroachment.

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4. Urban local governance - ~~Ens~~ Capacity-building to tackle urban Challenges.

5. Collaborations - sharing urban best practices

eg. C40 Clean cities Alliance

6. Smart Cities - Usage of urban metropolitan transport, ICCC for smart governance.

There is an urgent need to tackle unbalanced growth as cities are touted as engines of growth.

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20. भारत में नारीवादी आंदोलनों में ऐतिहासिक रूप से समावेशिता का अभाव रहा है, जो प्राय: एक सीमित पाश्चात्य उच्च-वर्ग के मानस के भीतर विकसित होती रही है। समालोचनात्मक विवेचना कीजिए। (उत्तर 250 शब्दों में दीजिए)

Feminist movements in India have historically lacked inclusivity, often growing within a limited Western upper-class psyche. Critically discuss. (Answer in 250 words) 15

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The feminist movements in India have their origin in socio-religious reform movement in 19th century.

Feminist movement - limited inclusivity

1. The male social reformers focussed on the problems of upper caste women
   eg. Sati - upper caste women's problem.

2. The aim of earliest movements was to make woman acceptable to a western educated man
   ↳ educated housewife.

3. Feminist movement during freedom struggle - catered to urban middle class women

4. property rights, inheritance - catered to middle and upper class women.

This has led to criticism that the feminist movements were not inclusive.

This is seen in—

1) Lack of focus on issues of rural women – employment, agri wage-gap, alcoholism – domestic abuse, child marriage

2) No focus on dalit and tribal women issues

eg: honour killings

3) Lower class women issues neglected

eg: domestic workers, factory workers etc.

However, the later day feminist movements catered to a broader swathe of issues

1) Eco-feminism – centered around rural & tribal women's livelihood issues.

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eg. Chipko, Appiko.

2) Sexual harassment - Visakha guidelines in response to sexual violence against rural woman.

3) Anti-arrack movement - Nellore of AP - against alcohol sale.

4) Prajwala - works with trafficking victims - rural and lower caste women.

Analysis.

The feminist movements have largely been led by urban educated women. Hence rural and lower caste women's issues are not adequately addressed.

Due to growing activism and awareness, there is a greater focus on inclusivity based on women-led development.

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निर्धारित समय: **तीन घंटे**
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प्रश्न-पत्र संबंधी विशेष अनुदेश

कृपया प्रश्नों के उत्तर देने से पूर्व निम्नलिखित प्रत्येक अनुदेश को ध्यानपूर्वक पढ़ें:

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प्रश्न संख्या 1 से 10 तक का उत्तर 150 शब्दों में तथा प्रश्न संख्या 11 से 20 तक का उत्तर 250 शब्दों में दीजिए।

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प्रश्न-सह-उत्तर पुस्तिका में खाली छोड़े गए कोई पृष्ठ अथवा पृष्ठ भाग को पूर्णतः काट दीजिए।

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All the Best

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1. क्या आप इस विचार से सहमत हैं कि भारतीय संविधान की सातवीं अनुसूची पर पुनर्विचार करने का समय आ गया है? उपयुक्त तर्कों के साथ चर्चा कीजिए। (उत्तर 150 शब्दों में दीजिए)
Do you agree with the view that time has come to revisit the Seventh Schedule of the Indian Constitution? Discuss with suitable arguments. (Answer in 150 words) 10

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The 15th Finance Commission Chairman [NK Singh] has recently recommended the review of seventh schedule of constitution.

[Seventh Schedule of constitution].

It divides the jurisdiction of subjects into [three] categories for law-making

Schedule VII [Art 246]

- **Central**: Laws made by Parliament uniform across India. eg: Citizenship, Defence
- **State**: Laws made by States. eg: Law & Order, Police, Health
- **Concurrent**: Both centre and state can make laws. eg: Education, Commerce

There have been protests on the division of subjects.

[Time to review seventh schedule]

1. Concurrent List being used as a [backdoor] for centre to intrude into State List.

[eg] Farm laws.

2. Centralising tendancies with respect to law making

eg Epidemic Diseases Act for COVID control vs Disaster Management Act

3. Newer emerging areas - Not specified

eg Artificial Intelligence, Data etc.

4 States demand greater autonomy

Revisiting Schedule VII not needed

1. greater central oversight needed in time of control - eg COVID.

2. Regionalism may rise due to greater autonomy.

Way Forward

II ARC has noted that greater deliberation between centre and states required for concurrent list

↳ consult states mandatorily.

NITI Aayog as a platform for cooperative federalism

Team India Approach is needed to revisit Sch VII to rationalise subjects in concurrent list

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2. न्याय वितरण के लिए ऑनलाइन विवाद समाधान (ODR) तंत्र के लाभों को रेखांकित करते हुए, भारत में इसके प्रभावी कार्यान्वयन से जुड़ी चुनौतियों की विवेचना कीजिए। (उत्तर 150 शब्दों में दीजिए)
Highlighting the advantages of online dispute resolution (ODR) mechanism for justice delivery, discuss the challenges associated with its effective implementation in India. (Answer in 150 words) 10

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Online dispute resolution (ODR) was increasingly adopted during COVID lockdown of physical courts.

ODR – Advantages

ODR refers to the online adjudication of cases by judges and delivering justice online.

ODR
- virtual hearings
- e-courts
- ADR mech.

Advantages

1. Efficient for high volume – low value cases.
2. Reduces the litigation cost as the litigant need not travel to court.
3. Speed of justice delivery Improved
   ↳ tackle pendancy of 4.2 cr cases.
4. Easier for Alternate Dispute Resolution (ADR)

5. Improves Ease of Doing Business
↳ Improve Contract Enforcement Ranking – faster & efficient

Challenges of ODR

1. Lack of digital infrastructure
↳ poor connectivity, bandwidth, device availability.
2. Lack of capacity – no training to judges & lawyers
3. Privacy concerns – No data protection law
4. Procedural issues – Not feasible for evidence examination and other practical aspects.
5. Lack of awareness.

Way Forward

Looking Ahead
- e-courts to be encouraged
- Digitisation of record keeping
- capacity building.

ODR holds great potential for quicker justice delivery.

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3. शक्तियों के संवैधानिक विभाजन के बावजूद, केंद्र-राज्य विवाद भारतीय लोकतंत्र की एक चिरस्थायी विशेषता रहे हैं। उदाहरण सहित चर्चा कीजिए। (उत्तर 150 शब्दों में दीजिए)

Despite the constitutional division of powers, Centre-state disputes have been a perennial feature of Indian democracy. Discuss with examples. (Answer in 150 words) 10

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The Schedule VII divides the legislative powers of govt under 3 lists.

Art 50 calls for seperation of powers between executive & judiciary.

Yet, centre-state disputes have become a perennial feature.

Central-state disputes

1. Jurisdictional disputes - States resent encroachment of centre into state subjects.

eg. Farm laws - 'agri' is a state subject

2. All-India Services - Competing jurisdiction of centre and states.

eg Recent dispute on central deputation of IAS officers.

3. Political disputes - Central agencies being politicised

eg Revoking general consent to CBI by states

4. Central hegemony - resented by states.

eg NIA Amendment - Opposed by states as it interferes with law and order in states.

5. Financial issues - Dependence of states on centre for funds

eg Centrally sponsored schemes - states resist contribution - NFSA - One nation One ration

Impact
- policy paralysis - census
- litigation - water disputes
- mutual mistrust
- combative mode of governance.

Way Forward

1. Co-operative federalism should be adhered. eg GST Council
2. Inter-state Council, Zonal councils need to be used for dispute redressal.

Team India approach is needed for competetive and collaborative governance.

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4. क्या आप इस विचार से सहमत हैं कि लॉबिंग के लिए एक ढांचे को अंगीकृत करना भारत में सहभागी शासन और कारोबार सुगमता को सुदृढ़ करेगा? (उत्तर 150 शब्दों में दीजिए)

Do you agree with the view that adopting a framework for lobbying will strengthen participative governance and ease of doing business in India? (Answer in 150 words) 10

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Lobbying framework is adopted by Pressure groups to further their interest by pressurising govt.

eg Lobbying by dairy sector - RCEP walk out by India.

Lobbying - strengthening participative governance & EoDB

1. It can convey group interests to govt to help in policy making

eg representation of stakeholder interests.

2. Voices concerns of marginalised groups

eg Lobbying by MKSS - enactment of MGNREGA - Labour rights.

3. Protects domestic interest over foreign competetion.

eg Local content mandatory in GeM portal - boost to MSME

4. Easier compliance of law by lobbying
is EoDB for firms - single window
clearance for customs

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Challenges of lobbying framework

1. Narrow group interests projected -
eg Farmer lobby resisting progressive
farm laws.
2. Unconstitutional lobby tactics -
'Crony capitalism' : 2G spectrum
allocation kickbacks.
3. Environmental sustainability
impacted by powerful lobbies.
4. Marginalised sections overpowered
by powerful group interests
eg Gig workers rights restricted
by free labour laws for MNCs.

Way Forward

Though lobbying framework is a
means of participative governance,
constitutional means and national
interest should be prioritised -

5. सरकारी अनुप्रयोगों के लिए सरकार द्वारा प्रोपराइटरी (निजी स्वामित्व और नियंत्रण वाली) प्रौद्योगिकी के बजाय ओपन स्रोत प्रौद्योगिकी को प्रोत्साहित करने के बावजूद, फ्री एंड ओपन सोर्स सॉफ़्टवेयर (FOSS) और डिजिटल प्लेटफॉर्मों की वास्तविक क्षमता का दोहन नहीं हो पाया है। चर्चा कीजिए। (उत्तर 150 शब्दों में दीजिए)

Despite the government encouraging open source instead of proprietary technology for government applications, the true potential of Free and Open Source Software (FOSS) and digital platforms remains unrealized. Discuss. (Answer in 150 words) 10

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The FOSS potential remains unutilized due to -

1) Lack of awareness among users
2) Powerful lobby by Big Tech in influencing policies
3) Need for tech-literate manpower to adopt FOSS

Recent govt encouragement

1) IndEA - open source data architecture
2) OCEN - Open source ecom architecture.
3) Arogya Setu - based on open source

Way Forward

1. Technical training
2. Pro-active implementation.

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6. एक सामाजिक सुरक्षा-वाल्व के रूप में, गैर-सरकारी संगठन (NGOs) प्रमुख साधन हो सकते हैं जिनके माध्यम से समुदाय अपनी चिंताओं को व्यक्त करते हैं। चर्चा कीजिए। (उत्तर 150 शब्दों में दीजिए)

As a social safety-valve, non-governmental organisations (NGOs) can be the principal vehicles through which communities voice their concerns. Discuss. (Answer in 150 words) 10

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NGOs refer to voluntary organisations that work for public interest

eg Bachpan Bachao Andolan, Naaz Foundations

NGOs as social safety-valve

1. NGOs voice concerns of marginalised sections and prevent social unrest

eg. Naaz Foundation - recognition of transgender rights.

2. Amplify voices of neglected sections

eg Prajwala - works with victims of sex abuse, trafficking.

3. Help in policy formulation with stakeholder interest.

eg India Against Corruption protest 2011 - Lokpal Bill.

4. Mazdoor Kisan Shakti Sangathan - role in formulation of MGNREGA

5. RTI formulation – Role of social activists, citizen groups.

However, there are challenges –

1) Narrow interests projected to derail progress

eg Farm protests – prevented Farm Bills.

2) External influence – anti India sentiment

eg Poetic Justice Foundation – pro Khalistan backers.

Way Forward

Though NGOs act as safety valves to voice community concerns, checks and balances are needed to ensure social harmony and avoid cacophony

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7. अपने रोगी केंद्रित दृष्टिकोण के लिए सराहे जाने के बावजूद, मानसिक स्वास्थ्य देखभाल अधिनियम, 2017 का कार्यान्वयन सुस्त है और विभिन्न मुद्दों से घिरा हुआ है। चर्चा कीजिए। (उत्तर 150 शब्दों में दीजिए)
Despite being lauded for its patient centric approach, the implementation of the Mental Healthcare Act, 2017, remains sluggish and mired with various issues. Discuss. (Answer in 150 words) 10

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Mental healthcare Act issues -

1) Shortage of personnel
2) Does not address preventive care
3) No enforcement mechanism
4) Contradicts other laws
   eg: suicide - crime under IPC
5) Lack of capacity building of manpower.

Way Forward

1. Increase expenditure on mental healthcare.
2. Collaborate with NGOs.

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8. क्या आप इस विचार से सहमत हैं कि राष्ट्रीय स्तर पर एक शहरी रोजगार गारंटी योजना तैयार करने का समय आ गया है? (उत्तर 150 शब्दों में दीजिए)

Do you agree with the view that time has come to formulate an Urban Employment Guarantee scheme at the national level? (Answer in 150 words) 10

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Urban Employment Guarantee Scheme (UEGS) refers to a guaranteed employment scheme for urban areas on lines of MGNREGA.

Need for UEGS

1. Covid effect - Rural labour had NREGA but urban unemployed had no alternative

2. Address urban problems - shortage of manpower in municipalities
↳ UEGS for contractual hiring - plantation, data entry etc.

3. Women employment - scope for female urban LFP

4. Utilities improvement - Need for semi-skilled workforce to manage urban utilities

5. Reduce urban poverty

Successful examples

1. Kerala – 100 days guranteed urban employment

2. Madhya Pradesh – guranteed employment with minimum wage.

Challenge
- burden on exchequer
- NREGA – pending dues
- urban aspirations are different.

Way Forward

Jean Dreze recommends urban token system for guranteed employment by local self governments.

It is time to formulate UEGS-

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9. हिंद महासागर क्षेत्र में भारत की सामरिक आकांक्षाओं को पूरा करने के लिए एक क्षेत्रीय संगठन के रूप में बिम्सटेक की प्रासंगिकता की विवेचना कीजिए। (उत्तर 150 शब्दों में दीजिए)

Discuss the relevance of BIMSTEC as a regional organisation to fulfil India's strategic aspirations in the Indian Ocean Region. (Answer in 150 words) 10

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BIMSTEC is a grouping of emerging economies Brazil, In

BIMSTEC is a regional grouping of the littoral countries of Bay of Bengal as well as some South Asian countries.

Relevance of BIMSTEC → India's strategic aspirations in IOR

Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation

↳ SAGAR : security and growth for all in the region.

↳ Neighbourhood First Policy

BIMSTEC Countries

- Covers the neighbourhood around Bay of Bengal.

↳ Act East Policy - BIMSTEC acts as a bridge between south and south east Asia.

↳ Indo-Pacific - Part of larger Indo-Pacific - free & fair trade.

↳ Blue economy - sustainable economic initiatives in the region.

However, there are some challenges

Challenges
- poor organisational structure - weak
- FTA not finalised
- unintegrated region
- pro-china: Mynmar, Nepal

Way Forward

1. Strengthen organisation structure and functioning
2. Finalise FTA
3. Work on regional connectivity

BIMSTEC can overcome the stagnation of SARC to establish India as a leader of S-Asia and IOR.

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10. वर्तमान समय में अपने निकटतम पड़ोसियों के साथ अपने संबंधों के संदर्भ में भारत के लिए गुजराल सिद्धांत की प्रासंगिकता की विवेचना कीजिए। (उत्तर 150 शब्दों में दीजिए)

Discuss the relevance of the Gujral Doctrine for India with regard to its relations with its immediate neighbours in the present times. (Answer in 150 words) 10

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Gujral doctrine talks about
↳ non-reciprocity in deals with India's foreign policy with neighbours
↳ mutual respect
↳ territorial integrity
↳ non-interference.

Relevance

1. Sri Lanka - aid to help tide economic crisis
↳ Ind gave $3.5 bn line of credit
↳ ~~Bas~~ healthcare support
2. Mynmar - junta coup
↳ non-interference
↳ Asylum in rare cases.

3. Nepal – mutual support.

Big brother to elder brother

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11. भारतीय संसदीय प्रणाली में "संसद के अधिकारियों" की महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका पर प्रकाश डालिए। साथ ही, उनके निष्पक्ष कामकाज के लिए संवैधानिक और वैधानिक प्रावधानों की विवेचना कीजिए। (उत्तर 250 शब्दों में दीजिए)

Highlight the pivotal role of the "Officers of Parliament" in the Indian Parliamentary system. Also, discuss the constitutional and statutory provisions for their impartial functioning. (Answer in 250 words) 15

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Officers of Parliament refer to the institutional office holders in the Parliament.

Eg. Speaker, Secretary General of the House etc.

Pivotal role of Officers of Parliament

The officers of Parliament ensure –

1, democratic functioning of the House

2, maintain decorum of the House

3, Oversee parliamentary functioning

4, Ensure accountability of executive to Parliament

5, Moderate parliamentary debate

Provisions for impartial functioning

1. The Constitution declares Speaker as the managing head of the house.

2. Speaker can be removed by special majority - security of tenure ensures impartial functioning

3. Rules of the House bestow procedural rules for ensuring impartial functioning

↳ power to suspend members.

↳ order an enquiry into the conduct of the members.

4. Discretionary powers can only be challenged on limited grounds in courts.

However, the impartial functioning of parliamentary officers has come under scrutiny.

Challenges to impartial functiong

1. Political impediments - The Speaker does not resign to his/her political party as a rule.

↳ Dependence on party for re-election affects impartiality.

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2. Lack of separation of powers — Speaker as lawyer and judge in cases of Privilege Motion etc.

3. Controversies over disqualification
↳ Lack of timely action of cases
↳ Inordinate delay

4. Partiality in functioning to side with ruling party.
eg Aadhar Bill as money Bill to bypass Rajya Sabha scrutiny.

Way Forward

1. Venkatachaliah commission recommended a tribunal for deciding disqualification cases.

2) UK model of Once a speaker, always a speaker

Venkaih Naidu's 15 point Parliamentary Charter calls for widely awakened political conscience for all parliamentarians.

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12. वित्त आयोग भारत में राजकोषीय संघवाद को संतुलित करने में महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभाता है। इस संदर्भ में, 15वें वित्त आयोग द्वारा की गई सिफारिशों का परीक्षण कीजिए। (उत्तर 250 शब्दों में दीजिए)

The Finance Commission plays a crucial role in balancing fiscal federalism in India. In this context, examine the recommendations given by the 15th Finance Commission. (Answer in 250 words) 15

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Art 280 establishes Finance Commission as the balancing wheel of fiscal federalism in India.

Finance Commission
- Appointed by president every 5 years.
- Recommends division of taxes between Central & states.
- Rules for grants to states

balances fiscal relations between centre and states.

Recommendations of 15th FC

NK Singh chaired 15th FC has ensured balancing role through-

1) Devolution of 41% of funds to states - enhances the fiscal capacity of states.

2) Inter-state devolution based on -

i, economic need (50% to 1st)
ii, performance - based
iii, population
iv, Tax effort
v, forest cover

ensures equitable distribution among states - higher grants for poorer states.

3) Recommended [deficit grants] for states with special needs
[eg] Andhra Pradesh due to revenue shortfall after bifurication.

4. Separation of grants for [defence] needs from shareable pool of funds.
↳ focus on common need of national security.

However, the recommendations have been criticised for ignoring the grievances of states -

[Criticism]

1. South Indian states criticised [population] criteria - lower population ⇒ lower funds due to [2011 census] data.

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2. 41% share is effectively translated to 35% due to cess and surcharge

3. Performance - based weightage criticised for interfering into state domain.

4. Removal of defence grants from divisible pool led to lower share of funds.

Other challenges

1) FC recommendations are non-binding

2) No representation of states in FC formulation

Way Forward

1. States grievances are to be considered while recommending by FC.

2. The cess and surcharge share should be reduced.

Fiscal federalism is crucial to ensure Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas

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13. आलोचनात्मक मूल्यांकन कीजिए कि क्या आदर्श आचार संहिता को वैधानिक समर्थन प्रदान करना भारत में स्वतंत्र और निष्पक्ष निर्वाचनों में योगदान करेगा। (उत्तर 250 शब्दों में दीजिए)

Critically assess whether according statutory backing to the Model Code of Conduct will contribute towards free and fair elections in India. (Answer in 250 words) 15

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The Model Code of Conduct (MCC) is a mechanism deliberated by Election Commission of India (ECI) with political parties to ensure fair conduct of elections.

It has no statutory backing under any law.

Model code of conduct

Model code of conduct
- conduct of political parties
- behaviour of contesting candidates
- party promotion methods
- election campaign etiquette.

Statutory backing to MCC

1. gives greater power to ECI to take legal action against violations.
2. Clarity on various provisions of electioneering.
   eg grey-areas in digital campaigning

3. Greater compliance by political parties due to fear of penalties

Impact
- fair election campaign
- free choice to voter - informed
- fair competetion in elections
- minimise poll violations.

However, statutory backing alone will not help free & fair elections as -

1) Capacity of ECI - Lacks permanent secretariat and staff
↳ difficult to enforce model conduct

2) Limited powers of ECI - can not de-register political parties.

3) Appointment of CEC & ECs by govt and not collegium
↳ raises questions of loyalty.

4) Criminalisation of politics -
ADR : 43% MPs - criminal antecedents.

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Increased money & muscle power in elections.

5. Electoral funding - Limited role of ECI in oversight

eg opaque electoral bonds.

Way Forward

Apart from giving statutory backing to MCC, other measures are needed -

1) II ARC - collegium to recommend members to ECI

2) ECI to have power to de-register political parties.

3) Independent staff for ECI

Mohinder Singh Gill case - The Supreme Court observed that ECI should take all possible measures to ensure free and fair elections.

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14. डिजिटल क्रांति के कारण बाजार में आए व्यवधान ने डिजिटल अर्थव्यवस्था में निष्पक्ष प्रतिस्पर्धा सुनिश्चित करने के लिए नवीकृत फोकस और परिप्रेक्ष्य को आवश्यक बना दिया है। इस आलोक में, भारतीय प्रतिस्पर्धा आयोग (CCI) में सुधार की आवश्यकता की विवेचना कीजिए। (उत्तर 250 शब्दों में दीजिए)

The market disruption caused by digital revolution warrants renewed focus and perspective to ensure fair competition in the digital economy. In this light, discuss the need to revamp the Competition Commission of India (CCI). (Answer in 250 words) 15

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Competetion Commission of India (CCI) was established under Competetion Act 2002 replacing MRTP.

Aim -1) To protect consumers
2) To ensure fair competetion
3) Act against unfair trade practices.

Market disruption by digital revolution

The proliferation of online companies and e-commerce have caused market disruption -

1) Market capturing by online giants.
eg Future - Amazon deal

2) Unequal competetion - predatory pricing by e-com
eg Big Billion day flash sales.

3) Algorithm manipulation to undertake targetted advertisements.
↳ against brick and mortar stores

4) Cross-border companies – different rules

Impact
- affects domestic markets
- Indian companies / start ups affected
- consumer rights – reduced.

Revamped CCI to deal market disruptions

1. greater power to take pre-emptive preventive action

eg European Competetion Body takes preventive action against Big Tech.

2. Explicit power to conduct raids on firms and take action.

3. Technical capacity building to deal with e-com.

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4. greater collaboration with other regulatory bodies — SEBI, IRDAI, RBI etc

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Some notable measures by CCI

1. Cancellation of Amazon-Futures deal for market capture
2. Prevented Google from abuse of market dominance with Android

The CCI needs to be further enhanced and given greater operational independence to take pro-active action against digital disruptions.

15. भारत में एक प्रभावी व्हिसल-ब्लोइंग तंत्र और साथ ही यह सुनिश्चित करने की तत्काल आवश्यकता है कि सार्वजनिक और निजी दोनों क्षेत्रों में व्हिसल-ब्लोअर्स की सुरक्षा के लिए आवश्यक सुरक्षा उपाय किए जाएं। चर्चा कीजिए। (उत्तर 250 शब्दों में दीजिए)

There is an urgent need for effective whistle-blowing mechanisms and ensuring that necessary safeguards for the protection of whistle-blowers are established in both public and private spheres in India. Discuss. (Answer in 250 words) 15

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The Whistle-Blowers Protection Act has been criticised for ineffective protection to whistle blowers.

Whistle blowing – urgent need

Whistle blowing refers to the public disclosure of confidential information to expose corruption and other misdeeds

Lack of safeguards

1. Killing of Satyendra Dubey for exposing corruption in Golden Quadrilateral projects.
2. Killing and harassment of RTI activists

This leads to threat to life and safety of whistle blowers.

Effective whistle blowing mechanisms

1. Protect the identity of the whistle blower all through.
2. American model of incentivising whistle blowers from the proceeds obtained out of the case
   ↳ motivates whistle blowing.
3. Hefty penalty for misusing the Act
   ↳ To deter miscreants from harassing officers.
4. Anonymous whistle blowing to be allowed in rare cases.
   ↳ Lokpal Act does not recognise it.
5. Police protection in case of threat to the whistle blower.

However, there are challenges to ensuring effective whistle blowing.

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Challenges

1. Legislative vacuum due to criminalisation of politics.
2. Resistance from bureaucracy
3. Threat to national security
   eg. WikiLeaks - American security
4. Potential for misuse

Way Forward

II ARC has recommended strengthening whistle blower protection for effective implementation of RTI Act.

Whistle blower protection can aid in bringing transparency and accountability to governance.

16. भारत में सहकारी समितियों के खराब प्रदर्शन के कारणों का उल्लेख कीजिए। साथ ही, इनकी कमियों को दूर करने के लिए सरकार द्वारा किए गए सुधारों की विवेचना कीजिए। (उत्तर 250 शब्दों में दीजिए)
State the reasons behind the poor performance of cooperatives in India. Also, discuss the reforms undertaken by the government to overcome the shortcomings. (Answer in 250 words) 15

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Part IXB deals with constitutional recognition to cooperatives.

Art 43 of DPSP provides for promotion of cooperative formation

Performance of cooperatives - India

Co-operatives are the voluntary organisations formed by people of similar socio-eco backgrounds to undertake collective activities

Success
- Amul Milk Coop - Anand
- Kudumbashree - Kerala
- Sugar cooperatives in Mah

However, there are increasing poor performing coops. due to following reasons -

1) Corruption - Coop Banks in large scale fraudulent lending
eg Punjab Maharashtra Coop Bank fraud.

2. Lack of capacity building - Training of manpower, technical know-how

eg Farmer coops - non starters.

3. Lack of credit - formal credit unavailable to undertake business.

4. Lack of oversight - Multi-state coops under centre, state coops under state ⇒ mismatch

5. Lack of implementation of law - no timely elections to boards

dysfunctional

Reforms taken by govt

1. Establishment of Min of Cooperation to promote coop formation
   - ↳ hand holding
   - ↳ credit
2. Encouraging farmer cooperatives
   - ↳ Easy credit availability - Agri Infra Fund.
   - ↳ Collaboration with start ups

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3. Reforming Urban Cooperative Banking

↳ RBI oversight increased to check corruption

Way Forward

1. States should ensure timely election to Coop Boards

2. Academia – Coop linkage to ensure technical capacity building.

Coops have potential to realise Gandhian ideal of Sahkar se Samriddhi

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17. सार्वजनिक-निजी भागीदारी मॉडल का यदि उचित तरीके से दोहन किया जाए, तो इसमें भारत की स्वास्थ्य देखभाल प्रणाली में विद्यमान अंतराल को पाटने की क्षमता है। चर्चा कीजिए। (उत्तर 250 शब्दों में दीजिए)
Public-Private Partnership model, if harnessed properly, has the potential to bridge the gaps in India's healthcare system. Discuss. (Answer in 250 words) 15

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NITI Aayog has recently recommended adoption of PPP in healthcare system of India.

India's healthcare system

Gaps
- Doctor : patient : 1:1456
- Hospital beds : patients : 5:10000
- Concentration of healthcare in urban Tier 1 cities
- Out of pocket expenditure : 68%

Leveraging PPPs in healthcare

1. Complements govt's health **Expenditure** - 1.5% GDP
   ↳ attracts investments from pvt sector.
2. Expands **healthcare infra** to Tier 2, 3 cities
   ↳ improves availability.

3. Attracts highly skilled manpower
↳ doctors, nurses – better salaries.

4. Can aid growth of Start ups –
Practo – more affordable.

5. Tertiary healthcare burden
of cost reduces –
Eg. Narayana Hridayalaya –
successful ~~coronary~~ & cardiac
operations.

6. Promote health insurance
↳ AP model

7. Affordable pharma – promote
generic medicines.

8. Medical colleges – PPP can
make it more affordable.

However, there are challenges to
PPP.

Issues

1. Long gestation period for
tertiary healthcare.

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2. Profit motive of private players
eg. profiteering during COVID
3. Effective oversight by independent bodies.

Way Forward -

1. Pilot projects can be taken up and scaled gradually.
2. Niti Aayog recommends optimisation of available resources — leasing PHCs etc.

PPP in healthcare has great scope to bring universal health care under SDG 3.

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18. यद्यपि नई शिक्षा नीति अपने साथ एक प्रशंसनीय दृष्टिकोण लेकर आई है, इसकी सफलता सरकार की अन्य नीतिगत पहलों के साथ प्रभावी ढंग से एकीकृत होने की इसकी क्षमता पर निर्भर करेगी। चर्चा कीजिए। (उत्तर 250 शब्दों में दीजिए)

Although the New Education Policy brings with itself a commendable vision, its success will depend on its ability to effectively integrate with the government's other policy initiatives. Discuss. (Answer in 250 words) 15

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The New Education Policy (NEP) 2020 aims at transforming Indian education with traditional values and global skills.

NEP - Commendable vision

1. Incorporates Early Childhood Care and Education : 3-6 yrs
2. Reformulates school education from early to higher education.
3. Focus on teaching in mother tongue
4. Skill training, coding
5. Flexible credit based higher education

However, the realisation of vision depends on several other policy initiatives.

Other policy initiatives

1. Early Childhood care to be linked to ICDS Anganwadi
   ↳ shortage of trained manpower and equipped spaces.
2. Teacher training needs to be upgraded to match the vision
   ↳ Lack of accredited Teacher Training Institutes.
3. Skill India Mission - needs to integrate new-age skills demanded by NEP.
4. Rashtriya Uchatar Shiksha Abhiyan
   RUSA funds for upgradation of HEIs needed to cater to NEP needs.
5. School Infrastructure - Sarva Shiksha Abhiyaan - to upgrade labs, classrooms.

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5. Co-ord with States - Many states pushing for English education

eg AP govt - mandatory English medium in all govt schools.

Way Forward

1. Collaborative effort of different ministries and departments is needed - Education, Women & Children.

2. Centre - State coop is needed.

NEP 2020 needs a whole-of-govt approach to realise its ideals.

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19. इंडो-पैसिफिक इकोनॉमिक फ्रेमवर्क फॉर प्रॉस्पेरिटी (IPEF) हिंद-प्रशांत क्षेत्र को वैश्विक आर्थिक विकास का इंजन बनाने की सामूहिक इच्छा से उत्पन्न हुआ है। टिप्पणी कीजिए। साथ ही, इस संदर्भ में भारत की चिंताओं की विवेचना कीजिए। (उत्तर 250 शब्दों में दीजिए)

The Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity (IPEF) is born from a collective desire to make the Indo-Pacific region an engine of global economic growth. Comment. Also, discuss India's concerns in this context. (Answer in 250 words) 15

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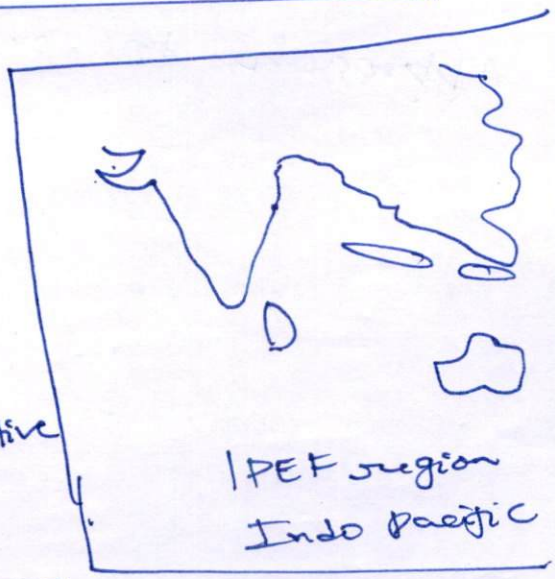
IPEF is an economic grouping of 14 countries in the Indo-Pacific region to ensure fair trade

IPEF pillars
- fair trade
- sustainable growth
- tax evasion
- supply chain resilience.

IPEF – engine of global economic growth in Indo Pacific

1. Friendshoring
focus on fair and principled trade
↳ against disruptive practices.


IPEF region Indo Pacific

2. Sustainable growth – Environmentally conscious green growth in the region.

3. Supply chain resilience.
ASEAN's major countries, QUAD and India — can form reliable supply chains.

4. Rules-based order — counter to Chinese aggressive business practices.

5. Expansive objective of tax evasion control and addressing corruption

Benefits to India

1. Alternative to enter regional markets after RCEP walkout

2. Removal of Chinese threat of unfair dumping practices.

3. Lacks militaristic perception of AUKUS, QUAD
↳ does not antagonise China.

4. Regional supply chain strengthened — boost to China+1 strategy.

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However, there are some concerns as well

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India's concerns with IPEF

1. Biden's pivot to Asia – USA's strategic interest – unreliable
2. Absence of pro-China countries like Myanmar, Cambodia, Laos
3. Chinese presence in the region – undeniable
4. Large trade deficit with ASEAN : $23 bn
5. Already established market specialisations in ASEAN – Vietnam, Indonesia etc.

Way Forward

MEA Jai Shankar has said that India should leverage strength, collaborate with convergent and manage competition. IPEF can aid it.

20. विस्तृत होते डिजिटल स्पेस और नई एवं उभरती सामरिक प्रौद्योगिकियों की जटिलताओं के बीच भारत को अपनी तकनीकी-कूटनीति (टेक्नो-डिप्लोमेसी) को आगे बढ़ाने के लिए प्राथमिकता वाले क्षेत्रों की पहचान करने की आवश्यकता है। चर्चा कीजिए। (उत्तर 250 शब्दों में दीजिए)

India needs to identify the priority areas to further its techno-diplomacy amidst the complexities of expanding digital space and New and Emerging Strategic Technologies. Discuss. (Answer in 250 words) 15

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India has recently established New and Emerging Strategic Technologies (NEST) division in MEA.

Emerging areas of NEST – techno diplomacy

Techno diplomacy deals with the diplomatic engagements based on technological sharing.

1. QUAD grouping – focus on emerging tech of AI, machine learning, 5G
2. Indo-Korea collab on chip manufacturing, semi conductors.
3. Indo-Japanese collaboration on emerging technologies.

4. G20 - focus on IR 4.0

5. 5G trials - Western Europe.

Challenges

1. Chinese hegemony - 5G Huwaei

2. Digital tech - cyber espionage

3. Strategic & critical technologies

Way Forward

1. Mini-laterals with trusted partners to further India's interest.

2. Domestic R&D to leverage demographic dividend.

India needs to tap its inherent potential to ride on wave of IR 4.0.

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